



## Disaster and Emergency Management Resources

### Preparing a Disaster Evacuation Supply Kit

An evacuation supply kit will prepare you for the possibility that you may need to evacuate your home following a disaster event with little or no warning. Since an emergency shelter may supply only shelter alone, it will be necessary for you to develop a disaster kit that should include at least a three-day supply of the following items:

- Clothing, including water-repellent outer garments and footwear
- Prescription drugs and other medical supplies
- Personal hygiene supplies
- Portable radio, flashlights, and extra batteries
- Shovel and other useful tools
- Money and matches in a waterproof container
- Bedding (sleeping bags, blankets, and pillows)
- Infant and small children's needs (if appropriate)
- Drinking water in plastic bottles; other liquids
- Emergency supplies of ready-to-eat foods
- Extra eyeglasses or contact lenses and cleaning supplies
- Books, games, and toys
- Safe deposit box key

Store these items in airtight plastic bags in a convenient location known to all family members. Replace your stored food and water every six months. Consider your kit and family needs at least once a year and replace batteries, update clothes, etc.

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